

Charter for the 2018 Fellowship Selection Committee

1.0. Purpose

The ARIN 2018 Fellowship Selection Committee is responsible for evaluating the fellowship applicants and for choosing the applicants to receive financial support to attend an ARIN Public Policy and Members Meeting.

2.0. Composition of Committee

The Committee shall be composed of the following members:

2.1. One elected member from the Board of Trustees.

The Trustee Representative shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees at its first business meeting of the year. The Trustee Representative shall serve as Chair of the Committee.

2.2. One member of the ARIN Advisory Council (AC).

The AC Representative shall be appointed by the Board.

2.3. Two members in good standing from the ARIN General Membership that have attended an ARIN Meeting in the past 3 years.

The General Member Representatives shall be appointed by the Board from a volunteer pool of General Members. The volunteer pool shall be compiled by ARIN Staff following a general call for volunteers to the appropriate ARIN mailing list(s) and confirmation of the Member's eligibility.

Members may be appointed to successive terms as long as they continue to meet the selection criteria. Vacancies on the Committee during the term shall be filled in the same manner as the regular selection process.

2.4. The Committee concludes upon announcement of the Fall meeting selection results.

Upon completion, the Fellowship Selection Committee Chair shall review its charter and its performance as a Board committee. Any recommendations from this review shall be reported to the full Board for their consideration.

3.0. Scope of Responsibilities

ARIN provides financial support for Fellows to attend each ARIN Public Policy and Members Meeting.

The Committee is charged with evaluating the applications and choosing the applicants that it believes are best suited for the Fellowship, taking into consideration a desire to provide opportunities to individuals from a broad diversity of organization types and geographic locations, placing emphasis on providing support to at least one Fellow from each sector (Canada, the Caribbean and North Atlantic Islands, and the United States and Outlying Areas) if possible.

The Committee has the right to select the candidates to receive the financial grants, following the criteria mentioned below, without any obligation to justify the results of the selection. The decisions of the Committee will be final, and the awards will be announced on ARIN's website. Their communications and deliberations shall be kept private.

4.0 Selection Criteria

If the qualified applicant pool permits, three to five Fellows will be selected from each sector of the ARIN Region: Canada, the Caribbean and North Atlantic Islands, and the United States and Outlying Areas.

Applicants should meet the following criteria in order to be considered for the fellowship award:

1. Have an understanding of the importance of ARIN's mission and some familiarity with ARIN services through their professional experience.
2. Be subscribed or subscribe and remain subscribed to, as part of the application process, the ARIN Announce and [ARIN Public Policy Mailing lists](#).
3. Present a case for attending an ARIN meeting, including:
 1. what they intend to accomplish or get out of attending an ARIN meeting,
 2. how attending an ARIN meeting would help them in their work or study, and
 3. how they intend to apply/share their ARIN experience when they return home
4. Be able and willing to attend and participate in all of the meeting public functions, including a first timer's event, tutorials or evening sessions and the ARIN social.
5. Require assistance in order to attend an ARIN meeting. (Statement from applicant stating funding is not otherwise available.)
6. Complete a Fellowship program evaluation after the conclusion of the meeting. Fellows who do not complete the program evaluation will be ineligible to reapply for a future fellowship.

All applicants must complete a Fellowship program application in full and return it according to published deadlines in order to be eligible.

Past ARIN fellows may apply again to be considered to receive another ARIN fellowship, and such applications will be considered, based on the above criteria as well as their previous performance(s) as an ARIN fellow.